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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a one-month extension of time to and including March 17, 2003 (March 15 being a Saturday) for responding to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2002. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

- A check in the amount of **\$110.00**.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (**Billing No. 209369.0051**) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
- Extension fee in the amount of \$ _____.00
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Respectfully submitted,

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